1997-98 are given in Annexure (*See* Appendix 184, Annexure No. 79)

In addition, certain funds were released to Government of Andhra Pradesh under India Population Project VII during 1995-96, 1996-97 for assisting the voluntary organisations as given below:

1995-96 : Rs. 25.00 lakhs
1996-97 : Rs.100.00 lakhs

(c) to (e) From time to time the Ministry gets NGO projects in the States evaluated by external agencies including Population Research Centres. As and when adverse evaluation reports are received, action as per rules is taken against the concerned organisations.

Children's death due to renal infection

2659. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that large number of children died in AIIMS and Kalawati Saran Hospital in Delhi due to renal infection;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures proposed to be taken to prevent such deaths from happening again?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) and (b) As per the information available with the Government, 35 cases of Acute Renal Failure were admitted in Kalawati Saran Children's Hospital and AIIMS, New Delhi during the period 1.4.98 to 18.5.98 with unusual clinical syndrome and having symptoms of acute fever, vomitting, diarrhoea followed by anuria. Out of them 28 are reported to have died.

(c) The Government took the following steps:

1. All Licensing Authorities of the States/UTs were alerted to stop forthwith use of Drugs which were suspected to have caused adverse reaction in the children. Further, the Licensing Authorities were advised to freeze/seize unused stocks of the drugs available with the Hospitals, Chemists, Druggists, etc.

2. Investigations were carried out at the premises of the manufacturers, distributors etc. and samples of drugs which were suspected to have caused adverse reaction have been taken.

3. 29 samples were sent to the Govt. Testing Labs. Of the samples tested, 20 samples have been declared to be of standard quality whereas 2 samples were reported to be not of standard quality for the reasons that the active content was found to be less than the labelled amount. The samples were additionally put on tests for 'toxicity' and were found to be complying with the pharmacopoeial specifications whereas adulterants like "Ethyleneglycol and Diethylene Glycol" were found to be absent.

Financial allocation to NGOs Operating in Assam

2660. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial allocation made to NGOs operating in Assam for health facilities and awareness during the last five years;

(b) particulars of such NGOs including the areas of activities, location-wise;

(c) establishments created and beneficiaries facilitated by such NGOs; and

(d) application pending so far for sanction to such NGOs and applications rejected so far indicating the reasons for such rejection.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be placed on the table of the House.